



County of Orange

California Arts and Humanities Month

WHEREAS, The month of October has been selected as Arts and Humanities Month, and it is appropriate at this time that artists and those who share artwork with others are recognized and given commendations by the public; and

WHEREAS, Nonprofit arts and cultural industry strengthens California's economy by generating \$5.4 billion in economic activity annually, while supporting more than 160,000 jobs and generating \$300 million in local and state taxes; and

WHEREAS, Arts education helps to improve the academic skills essential for reading and language development and closes the achievement gap, especially among youth-at-risk; and

WHEREAS, The arts contribute to the state's rich cultural heritage and promotes communication within and across California's many diverse cultures; and

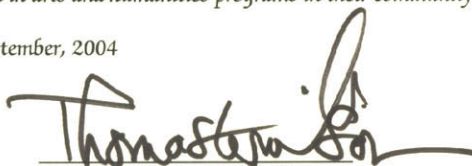
WHEREAS, Every aspect of life within California including its economy, education of its children, civic life, cultural tourism and community development are enhanced through the enrichment of arts and culture; and


WHEREAS Cities, counties and states – with their local and state arts agencies, artists and cultural organizations – have celebrated for several years during National Arts and Humanities Month the value and importance of culture in the lives of Americans and its impact on the health of thriving communities; and


WHEREAS, Arts and humanities contribute to tolerance and understanding, building bridges between the county's diverse cultures and serving as common ground for collaboration;


NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE ORANGE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, that they take great pride in recognizing October as Arts and Humanities Month in Orange County, and further encourage the residents of Orange County to support and become more involved in arts and humanities programs in their community.

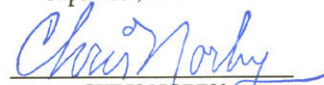
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